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For: IMAGE READER AND	)	ATTN: MAIL STOP AF
IMAGE READING METHOD	)	

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 1, 2004, the period for response to which extends through July 1, 2004, entry of the following amendments is respectfully requested to place the application in clear condition for allowance or, alternatively, in better form for appeal: